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SUBJECT: BEIRUT 203(A)7 REFUGEE PROGRAM - REPLACEMENT OF WCC/BEIRUT
OFFICE DIRECTOR

1. FRANKE DE JONGE, DIRECTOR WCC/BEIRUT OFFICE, INFORMS
US INCONFIDENTCE THAT WCC PLANS HIS TRANSFER FROM BEIRUT SOON,
PROBABLY TO ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR NEW WCC PROGRAM AT
BANGKOK WHICH NOW UNDER CONSIDERATION. DE JONGE WILL BE
SORELY MISSED. HE IS MAN OF ABSOLUTE INTEGRITY WHO HAS
MAINTAINED STRONG BUT COMPASSIONATE LEADERSHIP OF WCC OFFICE
HERE WHICH, AS GENEVA AWARE, IS VOLAG RESPONSIBLE FOR BULK
OF 203(A)7 APPLICANTS AT BEIRUT.

2. EMBASSY BELIEVES REPLACEOENT FOR DE JONGE MUST BE SELECTED
WITH CARE. WE UNDERSTAND SOME CONSIDERATION HAS BEEN GIVEN
TO TRANSFERRING WCC FUNCTIONS TO MIDDLE EAST COUNCIL OF
CHURCHES AND/OR APPOINTING LEBANESE OFFICE DIRECTOR. EMBASSY
BELIEVES DE JONGE'S REPLACEMENT MUST BE EUROPEAN, NORTH
AMERICAN, OR OTHER NON-ARAB. A DIRECTOR OF LOCAL
ORIGIN, NO MATTER HOW WELL INTENTIONED, COULD
NOT RESIST PRESSURES THAT WOULD INEVITABLY BE BROUGHT
TO BEAR TO PROVIDE SPECIAL TREATMENT FOR INDIVIDUAL
REFUGEES. AS EXAMPLE OF PROBLEM,
EMBASSY NOTES THAT
ABSOLUTE INTEGRITY OF WCC RECORDS ESSENTIAL SINCE
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PRICISE DATE OF REGISTRATION AT VOLAG PLACES

REFUGEE ON WAITING LIST (AT TIMES TWO YEARS IN LENGTH)
OF APPLICANTS PENDING INS INTERVIEW. ONLY DIRECTOR
WITHOUT TIES HERE COULD RESIST SOCIAL, FAMILY, POLITICAL,
FINANCIAL ETC. PRESSURES THAT ARE INDIGENOUS TO REGION.
WE ALSO NOTE THAT POSITION CARRIES CONSIDERABLE FISCAL
RESPONSIBILITY, SINCE WCC ADMINISTERS ANNUAL BUDGET IN EXCESS ONE
MILLION LEBANESE POUNDS (APPROX. \$450,000.) MUCH OF WHICH DIRECTLY
OR INDIRECTLY FROM USG SOURCES.

3. IN VIEW THESE CONSIDERATIONS, SUGGEST GENEVA DISCREETLY
ATTEMPT DETERMINE WCC/GENEVA THINKING ON MATTER OF
DE JONGE'S REPLACEMENT. IF CONSIDERATION BEING GIVEN TO
APPOINTMENT LOCAL DIRECTOR, BELIEVE GENEVA SHOULD POINT
OUT PITFALLS AND ATTEMPT STEER WCC IN DIRECTION INDICATED ABOVE.
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